

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

JESS RICHARD SMITH,

Petitioner,

v.

MELISSA ANDREWJESKI,

Respondent.

CASE NO. 2:23-CV-501-DGE-DWC

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

This is a federal habeas action filed under 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Petitioner has submitted an application seeking leave to proceed with this action *in forma pauperis*. Petitioner's application demonstrates that he is unable to afford the \$5.00 filing fee. Petitioner's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (Dkt. 4) is therefore GRANTED. The Clerk is directed to file petitioner's petition for writ of habeas corpus without the prepayment of fees. The Clerk is further directed to send a copy of this Order to petitioner.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 2023.



David W. Christel
Chief United States Magistrate Judge